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THE opening dance of the Bache-lors' Cotillion given last night in the ball room of the Masonic Temple was a brilliant affair in every Temple was a brilliant affair in every detail. The stage in the ball room was banked in paims, and the supper room was also arranged in paims. The table was a long square set in the middle of the room, from which a buffet supper was served, and was decorated with vases of poinsettias and ferns and bright red roses scattered over the cloth. The candles were shaded in red and sliver.

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Mrs. R. Carter Scott Served punch in the foyer. The chaperons were Mrs. Honry Landon Cabell, in black velvet embroidered in gold, American Beauty roses; Mrs. E. P. Valentine, in gray chiffon over satin, orchids; Mrs. Fred Pleasants, in black chiffon over gold-colored satin, gardenias; Mrs. R. Carter Scott, in white brocaded satin and real lace, orchids.

Among those dancing were Miss Lulle Johnston, with Egbert Giles; Miss

Janie Boulware, with Howard Tligh-man; Miss Carrio Armistead, with Catesby Jones; Miss Charlotte Jones, with James Wheat; Miss Virginia Orice, with Wallace Honderson; Miss Isabelle Carter, with Mr. Cutchins; Miss Elizabeth Cocke, with Harry Hazard; Miss Mary Scarborough, with Richard Osterloh; Miss Camilla Well-ford, with Tazewell Ellett; Miss Cam-mie Cary, with Alex Guigon, Jr.; Miss Katherine Eaches, with R. C. Water-man; Miss Adeline Allen, with Trevil-Katherine Eaches, with R. C. Water-man; Miss Adeline Allen, with Trevil-lian Turner; Miss Carlie Minor, with Valter Leake: Miss Delia Davenport, Walter Leake; Miss Della Davenport, with Stuart Leake; Miss Conway Fleming, with John M. Miller; Miss Fanny Scott, with George Fitzgerlad; Miss Elsie Parrish, with Albert Tanner; Miss Emily Royall, with George Hodggon; Miss Frances Whoat, with Carl Election Miss Empa Concuss, with Fleming; Miss Emma Conquest, Francis Johnson: Miss Catharine Hu-gan, with Langetaft Johnston: Miss Archer Joynes, with John Cary; Miss Elsie Harrison, with Lewis Larus; Miss



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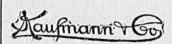
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Miss Nora Randolph, with Harold Threadcraft; Miss Zayde Branch, with of Kentucky, are visiting relatives in Ben Smith; Miss Mary Crump, with Powhatan county. Dabney Lancaster; Miss Nell Carneal, with John Leigh; Miss Virginia Haslie Johnston, with Egbert Glies; Miss kins, with Robert Jeffress; Miss Gay Janie Boulware, with Howard Tligh- Montague, with Coal Mrs. Arthur Cannon, with Mr. Cannon; Miss Rosaile Valentine, with William Price; Miss Fannie Miller, with William Crump; Miss Avis Grant, with Charles Barksdale; Miss Elizabeth Taylor, with James Augustine; Miss Julia Joynes, with Fitzhugh White; Miss Katherine Gunn with Period Julia Joynes, with Fixhugh White; Miss Katherine Gunn, with Peyton Fleming; Miss Fanny Crenshaw, with Royall Turpin; Miss Mary Saunders, with Sam Morgan, Jr.; Miss Helen Adams, with Lloy; Taylor; Miss Mary Chalmers, with Fred Valentine; Miss Lucy Ford Wortham, with Carrington Williams; Miss Kitty Luncaster, with James Ball and Mr. Toll, of Amherst, Mass; Mrs. A. Logan Golaan, with Mr. Gölsan; Mrs. David Leake, with Mr. Cake; Mrs. John Brooke Fink, with Mr. Fink; Mrs. Otto Theodore Hess, with Lieutenant Spilman.

The stags were W. Sparrow Waddell, Harry Frazler, Jr., Wortham Spilman, Mr. Armistead, T. Jeff Stubbs, Jr., C. C. Read, Colonel Jo Lane Stern, W. A. Graham, Robert Arnold, Stanley Freeman, William B. Jerman, Palmer Leigh.

Leigh.
The date for the next dance has not

Guest of Miss Adams.

Miss Mathilde Thieriot, of New York, will arrive in town this week to be the guest of Miss Heien Adams on .est Grace Street. Miss Thieriot will be here for a week, and many delightful affairs have been planned in her

Concerning the Vaudeville.

Some of the girls who are getting up the society vaudeville to be given at the Academy of Music on the nights of February 6 and 7 compose the various committees in charge. Those on the patroness committee are Misses Isabelle Carter, Belle Willard, Elizabeth Cocke and Archer Joynes; scene-cry committee, Mrs. Hiram M. Smith, Misses Berta and Barbara Trigg; poster committee, Mrs. Lewis Bosher, Misses Berta and Barbara Trigg; poster committee, Mrs. Lewis Bosher, Misses Mary Chalmers, Elsie Lindsey, dance committee, Misses Julia Joynes, Helen Adams, Dalsy Boykin; committee on arrangements, Miss Nora Randolph, Mrs. Logan Golsan, Misses tee on arrangements, Miss Nora Ran-dolph, Mrs. Logan Golsan, Misses Mary Scarborough, Mary Saunders; tickets and printing, Mrs. Douglas Vanderhoef, Misses Lora Crump and Edith Donnan; press and program, Misses Zayde Branch, Lucy Ford Wor-tham, and Dorothy Christian. Miss Ella Buck is general chairman of the entire affair.

Spending Holidays Here.

Colonel Henry Cabell, United States Army, and Mrs. Cabell, who have been traveling abroad for some time past, have been joined in Richmond by their son, Henry Cabell, Jr., and are spending the holiday season with their sister, Mrs. William Ruffin Cox. on West Grace Street. From Richmond Colonel and Mrs. Cabell will go to Florida.

tained a very delightful family party at dinner. Mr. and Mrs. Alston Cabel and their three daughters, Misses Ethel and their three daughters, Misses Ethel, Katherine and Dorothy Cabell, who are also in town for the holidays, were present on this occasion, as was Dr. Julian Cabell, United States Army, who is here for a few days' stay.

Reception Next Week. Mrs. Henningham Spilman and her

Mrs. Henningham Spilman and her daughter, Mrs. David Leake, will entertain at a handsome reception on the afternoon of January 4. The affair will be given in Mrs. Spilman's home, 909 Floyd Avenue.

Affairs of To-Day.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Wingfield will be hosts of a very handsome reception this evening at their home on West Franklin Street, at which function they will present their daughter, Miss Eleanor Wingfield, to society here.

Mrs. Charles Thomas Norman is giv ing a tea this afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock at her home on West Grace Street, in honor of her sister-in-law, Mrs. William A. Loving, Jr., of Columbus. O., and Mrs. Charles M. Langhorne, a bride of the winter.

No Meeting of Literature Class.

Miss Augusta T. Daniel will not meet the Literature Club this aftermeet the Librature Club this after-noon at the Woman's Club as former-ly announced. The usual Monday af-ternoon entertainment given at the club was also omitted this week.

In Orange.

Miss Dorothea Lloyd Tatum, of this

Miss Dorothea Lloyd Tatum, of this city, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. C. Booten, at her home near Orange, and expects to spend the remaining months of the winter there. Mrs. Booten has been the recent guest of relatives in Richmond for several days. Home for Christmas.

Capitain G. Percy Hawes, Jr., United States Army, and wife, are the guests of his father, Colonel G. Percy Hawes, at his home in Ginter Park. Capitain Hawes, now on furlough, is stationed at Fort Warren, in Boston harbor, in the artillery service.

Lieutenant Philip Haxail Bagby, United States Army, is visiting his mother at 104 1-2 West Grace Street. Lieutenant Bagby is now serving as military instructor and commandant of cadets at the Kentucky Military Institute, Lyndon, Ry.

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The Confederate Memorial Literary
Society will meet this morning at 11
celock in the Confederate Museum.
This is the regular monthly meeting and all members of the organization
are used to be present.

are urged to be present.

In and Out of Town.

Dr. James Winston, a member of the faculty at Princeton University, is the guest of Winston Bolling in this city.

Misses Ida Caplon and Hannah Pas samaneck will leave to-day for Balti-more, where they will attend the Kap lan-Greenberg wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Leland Clark and son.

of Grand Repids, Michigan, are visit-ing Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Peyton, at "Edenburn." Fauquier county.

Miss Annie Griswald Perry has re-turned to Orange, after visiting rela-tives here.

Miss Pearl Cameron, a student of Mount Maria Academy in this city, is the guest of relatives in Petersburg.

Misses Lelia Jackson and Verna Early, of Roanoke, are visiting rela-tives in this city for several weeks. John Harrison has returned to his home in Newport News, after visiting relatives in this city.

Miss Emily Armistead and Miss Lucy Armistead will return to their home near Bon Air to-day, after visiting Mrs. Robert E. Peyton, Jr,

Mrs. W. T. Askew and Children, of this city, are guests of Mrs. Askew's mother, Mrs. H. C. Allaway, in New-port News.

Judge Peyton Hobson and his son

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Wilkerson, of Pittsburg, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. L. Neale.

Midshipman Jenifer Garnett, U. S. N. arrived in Richmond yesterday, and will spend the holidays with his mother, Mrs. G. T. Garnett, at Ginter Park

Taylor Garnett, of Washington, will spend the holidays with relatives in

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Broadbent and their two little sons, of Oklahoma, are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Redd, at Barton Heights.

Mrs. M. B. Garnett, whose little sor has been operated on at the Memorial Hospital, has returned to her home in Mathews county.



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Jeffrey, Arvonia; R. H. Williams, Arvonia; R. C. Jeffrey, Arvonia; A. P. Magee, Clarksville; Mr. and Mrs. W. M.
Wheeler, Shenandoah; R. J. Green, Emporia; Ed. Wyche, Emporia.

Gilbert.—T. G. Martin, Radford, E. D.
Dorsey, Drewry's Blur; Israel G. Erb.
Samos; W. W. Veillnes, Norfolik; A. S.
Carroli, Danville; Mr. and Mrs. John T.
Jones, Surry.

Carroll, Dahville; Mr. and Mrs. John T. Jones, Surry.
Stumpf's—W. W. Holman, Virginia; D. B. Tabb, Norfolk; J. C. Harkins, Mil-ford; William P. Miller, Milford; J. B. Balley, Emporia; J. J. Meador, Keysville; J. L. Heard, Norfolk; E. T. Kindred, Jr., Roanoke; Robert S. Page, Cobham.
Park—J. R. Higgins, Francash, S. W. Park—J. R. Higgins, Francash, S. W.

Paulett, Jr., Farmville; A. Greenburg, Danville.
Davis—L. T. Morton, Charlottesville; George E. Fish, Lynchburg; E. Casey, Nortoik; K. A. Kaufmann, Norfoik; R. A. Hudson, Victoria; E. D. Forest, Sprell; Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Ivins, Norfolk; Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Roscher, Idarrisonburg.
Lexington—H. S. Shuey, Craigsville; H. T. Dey, Virginia; Eliner Clark, Old Point; Bliss Black, Tunstall; C. Hawkins, Lynchburg; William C. White, Newport News: L. O. Hudson, Altavista; D. H. Fitts, Scottsville; B. W. Webb, Norfolk, Murphy's—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Keys, Virginia; Walter James Norfolk; Dr. and Mrs. W. A. Harris, Spotsylvania; J. Craile, Lynchburg; W. W. Edwards, Waverly; Nicholas Balley, University of Virginia; Eugene Philips, Centre Cross; W. H. Lahmeyer, Newport News; H. S. Parker, Index; E. W. Robertson, Virginia; J. B. Tuggle, Blackstone; S. Gannell, Virginia; R. W. Robertson, Virginia; J. B. Tuggle, Blackstone; S. Gannell, Virginia; R. H. Saunders, Rocky Mount; A. B. Clay, Crewe; T. W. Murphy, Crewe; Thomas H. Howerton, Waverly; J. W. Powell, Norfolk; Mrs. T. Ashby Wickham, Lorraine.

Romance of Blue and Grgy.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Boston, Mass., December 26.—A romance of the Blue and Gray is revealed here in the engagement just announced of Miss Persis Gray, of Melrose, Mass., to William E. Lucas, of Wilson, N. C. Miss Gray is the granddaughter of Major Robert Gray, of the Fourth Maine Volunteers in the Civil War, while her fiance is a corporal in the One Hundred and Fifty-first Coast Artillery, stationed at Fort Andrew, Boston, and a grandson of John Lucas, who was killed while fighting in the Confederate ranks at Antietam. He comes of a family well known and esteemed in North Carolina. Miss Gray's grandfather was killed at the head of his charging column in the battle of the Wilderness. No date has been set for the weedding.

the Hill City quint. Salem Votes for Bonds.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Winston-Salem, N. C., December 26.—
Salem voted to day to issue \$75,000 in bonds, \$50,000 of which will be used in establishing a graded school, \$15,000 on street improvements and \$10,000 on extension of sewerage system, Out of a registration of 357 over 300 were cast in favor of bonds.

Johnson-Harper.

Harrisonburg, Va.. December 26,— Miss Alma Ross Harper, student and assistant teacher in the Harrisonburg State Normal School, left school last Thursday for th holldays, To-day news was received that she was mar-ried to Henry Johnson, of Draper.

Minister's Trial Starts January 23, [Special to The Times-Dispatch,] Rosnoke, Va., December 26.—It is learned that the trial of the Rev. W. learned that the trial of the Rev. W. H. H. Joyce, formerly pastor of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, South, by a committee of thirteen brother ministers, will begin here on January 23. Bishop Collins Denny will come from his home in Richmond to preside over the trial. Bishop Denny now has under consideration the appointment of a successor to fill out the unexpired term of Mr. Joyce at Trinity, but has come to no decision. His Execution Assured.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch,]
Raleigh, N. C., December 26,—It is
practically certain that L. M. Sandlin, practically certain that L. M. Sandlin, the Wilmington wife murderer, will be electrocuted Friday. Physicians say that the man is sane and since the jury passed on this question at the trial there seems nothing for the Qovtrial there seems nothing for the Governor to do but allow the law to take its course. It is believed there will be no executive interference with the





Appearances.

De mewl wat bray de loudes', he don' yank de bigges load.

He ain' de one what pulls right to de can' ob any road.

De 'Cow what looks de line' what's jer land will keep et up all night, ain' de dawg what makes good when et come time fo' to bite.

De dawg what de barks de stronges and will keep et up all night, be ain' de awg what makes good when et come time fo' to bite.

De tomcat what yells on de fence, and will keep et up all night, be hoss what neighs de purtiest and hoss what neighs de nouse, hoss what

Ain't likely fo' to win yo' any money in a race.

An' likewise Ah might mention dat' accordin' to mah min' be killed more than once would be killed more th

Dipped From the Stream.
A gold electric fan, with which to dry her hair, has been presented to Queen Mary. Most women dry theirs by hanging it out on the clothesline in the sun. It truly was a monstrous thing.
And made the people stare,
But it was quite the proper shape,
So Mary didn' care.

She tilted her head sideways to Get in a street car door, And folks said a lid like that They'd never seen before.

The hat was Mary's pride and joy. She called in it each day: The residential district was Made glad by the display.

Up to one day that beaver hat Had fuzz as white as snow. She wore it down town in the smoke, And now look at the doggone thing.

by hanging it out on the clothesilne in the sun.

A gentleman named Theodore Rabbit lives at Alpena, Mich. It seems as though he ought to run for something.

A restaurant man at Des Moines has been arrested for cooking onions. The evidence against him is probably strong.

The Carnegie commission has found only 333 heroes. But wait until they begin to count the men who hook their wives up the back.

Anyhow, the war may be a good thing in that several thousand of those "terrible Turks" wrestlers will lave to stay at home and tight instead of coming to America to hippodrome.

Of course, it will be necessary to refer to Bernhardt in "hamlet" as "the melanchely Dame."

A Connecticut deacon has accumulated a fortune by pulling automobiles out of the mud. He is believed to be the only rich deacon who didn't make his money trading horz's.

# News of South Richmond

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Wheeler—Inge.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Weldon, N. C., Doceber 35.—Win, Wheeler, of Clyo, Ga, and Miss Mary Inge, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Inge, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, on Fourth Street, this afternoon at 4 o'clock, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. A. Hornaday, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler left Long—Waller.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Long and Miss Susan P. Waller, both of Spotsylvania county, were married in Washington to-day. They will return to Spotsylvania county, were married in Washington to-day. They will return to Spotsylvania county to reside.

Lynchburg Quint Wins.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg Va.. December 26.—The Washington and Lee University basketball at team went down to-night before the Lynchburg X. M. C. A., the latter winning easily, 3 Sto 13. The association quint not only excelled in team work, but the defense of the Visitors could not be compared with that of the victors. Bear played good ball for the varsity at all stages, but his quint did not measure up to the Standard of basketball as played by the Hill City quint.

Salem Votes for Bonds.

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Special to The Times-Dispatch of the William McNamira and color

On a charge of throwing a cannon cracker in the face of Susan Black, colored. William McNamara was assessed \$2.50 and cost by Justice II. A Maurice in Police Court, Part 2, yesterday morning.

For engaging in a street dight J. W. Sanderson and Russel Kahn were given a hearing yesterday morning, the latter being dismissed and \$5 fine collected from Sanderson.

Railway Mortgage Filed.

In the Hustings Court, Part 2, the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway yesterday placed on record a deed of mortgage of its property. The mortgage covers property in several States, and was recorded in this court because of riparian rights owned by the company on the South Richmond side of the river.

Picked Up by Police.

Charged with stealing a tide of lace.

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Charged with stealing a tide of lace leather, valued at \$4, from the American Lace Leather Company, Thorn Tallaferro, colored, was placed under arrest yesterday by Officer "Mike Moore," and is held without bail in the Third Police Station for a hearing before Justice Maurice this morning.

Percy Marshall, thirty-one years old, an Iron worker, is being held for a hearing this morning on a charge of stealing \$12 from A. E. Grimes.

Lewis Hankin was reported for an alleged ordinance violation for permitting an awning to remain lower than allowed by law to remain lower than allowed by law to remain lower than allowed by law to remain lower in the state of this duty.

Curtis Bell, fifteen years old, was arrested last night, on a charge of threatening to kill Curtis Staples (colored) willing um.

W. C. Halloway, forty-three years old, was locked up in Third Police Sintion, charged with raising a disturbance in the store of F. S. Wright.

Eggleston—Clesien.

A pretty wedding was celebrated last night at \$30 o'clock at the home of the bride, 1421 Decatur Street, when Miss Fearle Belle Cleaton was quietly married to Emmett Eggleston, of South Richmond, the ceremony heing performed by the Rev. F. W. Long, pastor of the Cowardin Avenue Christian.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Newman, 927 Per-

Augusts, Ga.

E. H. Nunnaily, of Woodland Heights, left yesterday to spend the holidays with Dr. Hilton, of Greenshoro, N. C. Mrs. Carrie B. Esslinger, of Doylestown, Pa., is spending the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Shields, 2702 East Frankiln Street, Mr. Shields is the popular desk sergeant of the Third Police Station.

Booker Williard, of East Twelfth Street, is vsiting his old home, Crewe, Va.

Proposed Operating Amalgamation Will Affect Nine South-

New York, December 26,—An operating amalgamation of the Bell Telephone Companies in nine Southern States will be voted upon next month by the directors of the companies involved, it was learned here to-day. The proposed change is in line with other recent changes for greater economy and efficiency made by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, it was announced, and embraces the creation of a new operating district.

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Should the plan be approved the Southern Bell and Cumberland telephone companies will be operated as a unit with W. T. Gentry, of Atlanta, now president of the Southern Bell Company, as president of both companies. James E. Caldwell, president of the Cumberland Company, it is reported, will become chairman of the board of directors of the Cumberland. The disposition of minor officials of the companies involved will be determined later, it was said, but there probably will be no drastic changes. The present territory of the Southern Bell Company, with the exception of Virginia and West Virginia and the entire Cumberland Company, would thus e placed under one operating head, who would direct telephone affairs in the Carolinas, Georgia, Fiorthing now, the war may be a good thing that several thousand of those trepthe Turks" wrestlers will lave to coming at the many produced the produced of coming at the many produced the pro

Windows and Chimneys for Many

Windows and Chimneys for Many Hocks Are Destroyed.
Wilmington, N. C., December 26.—
During the progress of a fire which destroyed the Atlantic Coast Line depot at Elm City, N. C., carly to-day, 400 pounds of dynamite in the freight warehouse of the structure exploded. The detonation shattered glass frame windows for several blocks and razed chimneys to the ground. Night Operator Harris escaped from the building just before the explosion took place, but Conductor Bruce Cotton, in charge of a freight train which had drawn up at the depot during the progress of the fire and was assisting in savof a freight train which had drawn up at the depot during the progress of the fire and was assisting in saving rolling stock on the railroad, was slightly burt by flying debris. About highly bales of cotton were destroyed with other property belonging to the railroad company.

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